

## General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on Program Review and Investigations

Introduced by: (PRI)

## AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE REQUIRING COMMITTEES OF COGNIZANCE TO CONDUCT THE PERFORMANCE AUDITS UNDER THE SUNSET LAW.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 2c-3 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2012*):
- 3 The [Legislative Program Review and Investigations Committee,
- 4 established by the provisions of section 2-53e, shall conduct a
- 5 performance audit of each governmental entity and program
- 6 scheduled for termination under section 2c-2b. The Legislative
- 7 Program Review and Investigations Committee] joint standing
- 8 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of any
- 9 governmental entity or program scheduled for termination under
- 10 section 2c-2b shall conduct a performance audit of such entity or
- 11 <u>program and</u> shall complete [its] <u>such</u> performance audit [by] <u>not later</u>
- 12 <u>than</u> January first of the year in which the governmental entity [and] <u>or</u>
- 13 program [are] is scheduled for termination under section 2c-2b. In
- 14 conducting the audit, the committee shall take into consideration, but

15 shall not be limited to considering, the factors set forth in sections 2c-7 16 and 2c-8. The entities enumerated in section 2c-2b shall cooperate with 17 the [Legislative Program Review and Investigations Committee] 18 committee in carrying out the purposes of sections 2c-1 to 2c-12, 19 inclusive, and shall provide (1) such information, books, records and 20 documents as [said] such committee may require to conduct its 21 performance audit, [. Each governmental entity or program scheduled 22 for termination pursuant to section 2c-2b shall provide and (2) at the 23 request of [the Program Review and Investigations Committee] such 24 committee, an analysis of its activities [which] that specifically 25 addresses the factors enumerated in sections 2c-7 and 2c-8.

Sec. 2. Section 2c-4 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2012*):

28 [The Legislative Program Review and Investigations Committee] 29 Each joint standing committee of the General Assembly having 30 cognizance of a governmental entity or program scheduled for 31 termination under section 2c-2b shall submit [to the General 32 Assembly] a written report on each such governmental entity and 33 program by January first of the year in which such entity [and] or 34 program [are] is scheduled for termination. Such report shall 35 specifically address the factors set forth in sections <u>2c-3</u>, as amended by 36 this act, 2c-7 and 2c-8 and shall include recommendations regarding 37 the abolition, reestablishment, modification or consolidation of such 38 entity [and] or program. [On and after October 1, 1996, the] Such 39 report shall be submitted in accordance with the provisions of section 40 <u>11-4a</u> to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having 41 cognizance of matters relating to state government organization and 42 reorganization, structures and procedures, to any other joint standing 43 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance and, upon 44 request, to any member of the General Assembly. A summary of the 45 report shall be submitted to each member of the General Assembly if 46 the summary is two pages or less and a notification of the report shall 47 be submitted to each member if the summary is more than two pages.

- 48 Submission shall be by mailing the report, summary or notification
- 49 <u>electronically</u> to the legislative <u>electronic mail</u> address of each member
- of the committees or of the General Assembly, as applicable.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2012	2c-3
Sec. 2	July 1, 2012	2c-4

## Statement of Purpose:

To require the committees of cognizance rather than the Legislative Program Review and Investigations Committee to conduct performance audits and report regarding their findings concerning entities or programs scheduled for termination under the sunset law.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]